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CANADA AND THE U. S.

SECRETARY BLAINE'S POLICY IS TO WAIT.

Reciprocity Likely to Come in Time, Whoever May be in Power—A Large Steamer Reported Lost at Sea—Mr. Seligman's Joke.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—A Herald Washington special says: To let well enough alone is the policy which will be pursued by the administration and its friends in congress during the present session regarding trade relations with Canada. Secretary Blaine believes that the disposition of the Canada people to form a close commercial treaty with the United States will grow more rapidly if public feeling in Canada is allowed to work out the problem for itself, than if opportunity is given one party to charge the other with disloyalty because of the friendship or encouragement of its interests in the United States. Mr. Hitt, of Illinois, chairman of the House committee on foreign affairs in the last congress, doubtless echoes the sentiments of Mr. Blaine when he says, as he did recently, that he probably should not even introduce a motion in the House looking towards closer commercial relations. He feels that the United States has already made it plain enough that we are ready to accept a fair proposition for reciprocity, and that any further display of the matter at the present time will hinder rather than help. Mr. Blaine has long been a warm champion of close commercial union between Canada and the United States, but has often expressed his belief that the waiting policy was a slow but sure one. While the feeling just alluded to prevails in administration circles, Canadian events are watched with interest, and there are many here who believe that the time is approaching when there will be an administration in Canada ready to treat on broad lines with the United States. While the Liberal party in Canada has generally shown a more cordial disposition towards reciprocity than the Tory party, it is believed that public sentiment will in time drive the Government to propose a treaty, whether the Government is Liberal or Tory. The death of Sir John Macdonald is likely to hasten the movement for closer commercial relations with the United States and to destroy the cohesion of the political machine which he built up. The Conservative Cabinet is likely to suffer through the failure of the attempts made last summer to negotiate with the United States. The President and Secretary Blaine both feel that the Conservative Cabinet had no propositions to offer which they were likely to accept, and that the time spent in the pretense of negotiations was wasted.

NEWS FROM THE EAST.

Death of Sir Adam Wilson—Another M.P. Dead—Mr. German Appeals.

OTTAWA, Dec. 29.—Mr. Daoust, M.P. for Two Mountains, the oldest Conservative member of the Commons, is dead. La grippe was the cause. He has represented Two Mountains almost continuously since 1854. It is a strongly Conservative constituency.

Mr. German has appealed to the Supreme Court against his disqualification.

Premier Abbott and Sir John Thompson arrived last night to attend the Cabinet meeting to-day.

Sir Adam Wilson, formerly Chief Justice of the Queen's Bench, died at Toronto this morning as the result of a paralytic stroke.

Mr. Boville, formerly secretary to Governor Trutch of British Columbia, arrived to-day here with his wife.

WINDSOR, Dec. 29.—The South Essex election protest has been dismissed.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 29.—The city council has accepted the offer of a company represented by Jas. Ross, Montreal, and Wm. McKenzie, Toronto, to construct an electric street railway, granting the company 35 years' franchise.

REGINA, Dec. 29.—R. H. Williams was elected mayor yesterday by acclamation. Jas. Donaldson is mayor of Prince Albert, and H. Bently of Lethbridge, both by acclamation.

The Alton Boycott.

MONTREAL, Quebec, Dec. 27.—General Manager Sergeant issued instructions Saturday evening under which the Grand Trunk Railway will at once resume its passenger relations with the Chicago & Alton. This action of the Grand Trunk Railway will break the backbone of the famous boycott, which has of late deteriorated into a farce.

Bad News From Sea.

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 29.—Captain Hopkins, of the British steamer Ocean Queen, arrived here, reports having encountered a terrible gale in mid ocean on Monday, Dec. 21. Four of the crew were lost. The captain also reports that on the next morning he sighted a large ocean steamer flying signals of distress. The vessel to all appearance was a passenger steamer bound from Liverpool to New York. Owing to the dense fog the Ocean Queen was unable to go to her rescue. When the fog lifted nothing could be seen of the distressed steamer. A ship's compass encased in cork was picked up afterwards, bearing the initials, "J.P.C., England," engraved upon the case. Captain Hopkins is positive the steamer was wrecked.

A Fire-Eating Senator.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The Evening Telegram publishes the following under a Washington date: "It is believed that the court of arbitrators in the Behring Sea case will be announced soon. Our government will select France, and it is believed that England will select Italy. These powers will select a third. As the sealing season will not open till June there is no great hurry. A prominent member of the foreign affairs committee of the senate who has been consulted in every stage of the Behring Sea case said, this morning, that it is not to be expected that the decision made by the commission would be mutually satisfactory to both the United States and England. It is only a question of time, said the senator, until we shall be compelled to go to war with England to settle the question of our Northern boundary. We are not ready for war now with a great power, but we will be obliged to have one sooner or later, and we have no time to lose in establishing a good navy and a system of coast defences. Of course we could whip England on land. Congress, I believe, will appreciate our position towards England and will see the necessity of making liberal appropriations for the immediate improvement of our navy.

Buried by a Falling Wall.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Dec. 29.—A few minutes before noon yesterday six men narrowly escaped a horrible death beneath the falling walls that marked the scene of Saturday's conflagration. Those injured were W. H. Silva, badly bruised; J. G. Ragsdale, hand cut; Ora Hulse, aged 16, bruised; Bob Rawden, 35 years old, colored, ankle bruised; Albert Moore, 50 years, colored, chest crushed and badly bruised; P. Burley, colored, bruised. Yesterday morning three laborers were put to work by Silva and Abbott, in charge of the former, aided by Ragsdale, to dig out the safe of the firm, which was buried in a lot of debris marking the spot where Silva and Abbott's store formerly stood. The safe had been turned on its back, the door opened and Mr. Silva was examining the contents when the remaining portion of the wall of the Gottschalk building which was standing fell with a terrific crash, burying the three negro laborers. Young Hulse, who was unable to get out of the hole where the iron safe lay, was caught by a mass of masonry and hurled across the fireproof safe. The officers inside the ropes hastened to the scene of the accident and assisted in the work of digging out the injured. It was found that the boy Hulse had been protected by the bodies of the two negroes, who fell against him. The negroes did not fare so well. Moore was buried up to his arms and is bruised about the chest. Rawden is hurt about the right leg, not seriously. Burley was removed to his home.

The Millionaire and the Spoons.

SAGINAW, Mich., Dec. 29.—Jacob Seligman, a millionaire of this city, was in Owosso on Saturday and their purchased the street railway just completed. He and three friends then took dinner at the Merrill House, the proprietor of which charged him $1 a plate. Mr. Seligman thought the price exorbitant, and by way of getting even he slipped half a dozen silver spoons into his pocket. Yesterday he received a letter stating that the sheriff was on his way to this city armed with a warrant for his arrest. Considering the joke had gone far enough, he expressed the spoons back. He left for Owosso last night.

An Artist Dead.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—American artists sustained a grievous loss in the death on Sunday morning at Piconia, Long Island, of Ben. J. R. Fitz, one of the best of the younger figure and landscape painters. Of him Walter Shirley, his brother instructor, said he was the best teacher in the country. Mr. Fitz was 36 years old, having been born in this city in 1855.

Neither Cleveland Nor Hill.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 27.—Governor Campbell of Ohio passed through Pittsburg to-night on his way to New York on private business. In an interview the governor said he thought neither Cleveland nor Hill would receive the nomination, and that it would go to the west. Palmer of Illinois, he said, seems to be the most likely candidate at present.

The Mexican Guerillas.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—No information in regard to the situation on the Mexican border was received at the War Department this morning. The situation, however, is regarded as quite serious, and the department is doing all it can to strengthen its forces on the border so as to prevent the crossing of the Rio Grande by Garcia and his band.

A Railway Tied Up.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 28.—The entire system of the San Antonio & Arkansas Pass Railway is tied up to-day by a strike of the employees, who went out last night. The trouble was caused by the discharge of a conductor for alleged violation of orders.

The Tilden Will Case.

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y., Dec. 28.—Argument was heard this morning in the matter of compelling the executors of the Tilden will to render an accounting. The surrogate took the papers and adjourned the case for a week without giving a decision.

Clancarty's Twins.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—The Countess of Clancarty, formerly Belle Bilton, of music hall notoriety, yesterday gave birth to twins, both boys. The earl is delighted, and celebrated the event by telegraphing announcements to the newspapers.

Fighting in China.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—A dispatch from Singapore says official advices from Peking report serious fighting with the rebels from December 1st to December 7th, in which 2000 rebels were killed. Fifty leaders were beheaded.

Miss Mitchell's Marriage.

PARIS, Dec. 29.—February 11th is the date fixed for the marriage of Miss Mattie Mitchell, daughter of U.S. Senator Mitchell, of Oregon, to the Duc de la Rochefoucauld.

Ambassador White Dead.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—A dispatch from Berlin announces the death of Sir Wm. Arthur White, British ambassador to Turkey, of influenza.

The Oldest U.S. Consul.

LEGHORN, Dec. 29.—U. S. Consul Wm. T. Rice, the oldest consul in the service, died here on Saturday last.

FRIED ABDUCTION CASE

DEVELOPS NEW FEATURES—A ROYAL COMMISSION.

To Enquire Into Charges of Malversation Against the Police Magistrate Who is Accused of Asking a Fee for Duties Within His Magisterial Office.

The circumstances of the Fried abduction case, which came before the recent assizes, are still fresh. There was a charge brought up in the course of that action, in which it was stated that Mr. A. L. Belyea, city police magistrate, had been guilty of malversation in office by demanding from August May a professional fee for that which he (Mr. Belyea) should have done gratis in his capacity of police magistrate.

No specific charge has been made against Mr. Belyea, although a Royal Commission has been issued, in charge of Hon. Theo. Davie, attorney-general, to hear the case. The court sat to-day, with Hon. Mr. Justice Crease as commissioner, Mr. Taylor acting for Mr. Belyea. The latter asked for a copy of the charges, but was referred to a certain declaration made before Mr. Thos. Shotbolt, J.P., by August May, father of the girl alleged to have been abducted. In this declaration he states that, on the advice of the chief of police, he saw the police magistrate with a view to obtaining his daughter from the Frieds. He explained his case to the police magistrate in that gentleman's office in the City Hall, and was invited to another office in town. The latter office he found was that of Messrs. Belyea & Gregory, on Government street, where the police magistrate wrote out some papers and handed them to him (May) to sign. In answer to a question of May's a fee of $20 was demanded. This he thought excessive, and said he would see him (Mr. Belyea) again. He said, however, he would be willing to pay the $20 provided he could be guaranteed the possession of his daughter.

To this Mr. Belyea has filed a reply stating that August May came to him, told him the circumstances of his daughter's being away from home and asking for the issuance of a warrant giving him charge of the girl. On enquiry from the chief, Mr. Belyea was informed that so far as the knowledge of the police went, the Frieds were respectable people and kept a respectable house. He therefore told May that he had no authority to issue a warrant for the arrest of the girl, and could not do anything for him as police magistrate. He advised May, however, to proceed by habeas corpus against Fried, and offered as a lawyer to undertake this for him, directing him, at the same time, to the office of Belyea & Gregory. May went to the office, where, after consultation with his partner, Mr. Gregory, Mr. Belyea told May he would take up the necessary papers, send for Fried to meet him, when May could demand his daughter. If Fried refused, Mr. Belyea was to make application to a judge for habeas corpus and compel Fried to produce the girl in court. A clerk was sent for Fried, who said he would call about two o'clock the same day. As May was going out of the office he turned to Mr. Belyea and asked what it would cost him. He was told the usual charge in such cases was $20, but he went out without making any reply. About 2 o'clock Fried was in the office and Mr. Belyea asked him to give up the girl. First he said he had engaged Eberts & Taylor, and afterwards he said the girl was with her father. About an hour later May returned and asked to get his daughter for him. He was asked to make an affidavit which was already signed by him, but he said he would not pay anything unless Belyea & Gregory would guarantee to get his daughter for him. They said they would do their best, but could not guarantee him that a judge would give him back his daughter. After some further conversation about the guarantee he left the office and did not return. He did not then accuse Fried or anyone else of harboring the girl, or of taking her away from Seattle; he represented only that she was hired at Fried's for $15 a month, as stated in her letters. Mr. Belyea denied that he demanded $20 from May, either at the City Hall or at his office, or that he promised that he could get the girl before 6 o'clock if he brought the $20. Mr. Belyea also states that May perfectly understood in what capacity Belyea & Gregory acted for him, and he further states that May was similarly advised by Bodwell & Irving, to whom he applied.

There is also a declaration of Mr. F. B. Gregory's filed substantiating that of Mr. Belyea.

August May gave evidence before the Commission in the Supreme Court today, the purport of his evidence being as set out in his declaration. The court was sitting all the afternoon.

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

Matters of Interest Going Forward in the Sporting World Here and Elsewhere.

THE RING.

Jake Kilrain, in a recent interview, is quoted, when asked if report of his withdrawal from the ring was true, as saying: "I got a letter asking me if I would fight the winner of the Choynski-Woods battle in San Francisco. I replied that I have gone out of the business and I have. My business at present is prosperous and it requires all my time. I will not fight unless I am pressed too closely."

According to the dispatches from the east Jim Corbett has received an offer of $12,000 for a match between himself and Mitchell, to take place before the Olympic Club in New Orleans.

A dispatch from Boston says: Billy Frazier an old-time professional pugilist, four years ago abandoned the ring and let his whiskers and hair grow to go into the ministry. He soon became pastor of the Third M.E. Church of Somerville, a suburban city of Boston, and has been singularly successful as a preacher. To-day he astonished his friends by appearing among them without his clerical beard and his hair cropped short. In fact, it was the old-time pugilist they looked upon and when they asked for an explanation Billy calmly announced that he had abandoned the ministry and wanted to meet any 128-pound man in the world for a finish battle. Frazier's last battle was with Jim Carney, by whom he was defeated.

CALIFORNIA TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27.—The tournament of the California Tennis Club ended yesterday in a final bout, three in five sets, between Yates and Hubbard. Both aspire to the coast championship, each having won an all-comers' tournament at San Rafael, but they were beaten by W. H. Taylor, the present champion. There were 45 contestants for the championship cup, valued at $100. Taylor was defeated by Yates. C. H. Hubbard yesterday beat Yates, 4-6, 6-1, 6-4, 6-1.

SULLIVAN AND SLAVIN.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The little matter between John Lawrence Sullivan and Francis Patrick Slavin is likely to be treated from an entirely business-like standpoint at noon to-day. If all of the interested parties are of the same mind as they were last night a match between these shining lights of the world of pugilists will undoubtedly be made. Charles Johnson, the backer of Sullivan, will be on hand to-day. As for Slavin and his partner Mitchell, they were apparently enjoying the best of health last night, and declared that they would surely meet Johnson. The latter is business from the word go. He is said to have received a telegram from Sullivan advising him as to the date of the match, and if this is true there can be no hitches at this end of the line. Slavin wants to fight Sullivan in November, and it is altogether probable that this month will suit the champion of champions, as John L. is called.

NOTES.

Duck shooting in almost any and every direction from Victoria is reported splendid, and when sportsmen are asked for directions the reply is "Go anywhere."

The financial results of the tug-of-war tournament at Tacoma were so poor that the projected tournament in Seattle has been abandoned.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 27.—Cartwright was the six-day go-as-you-please match with a score 502 miles and 3 laps.

LONDON, Dec. 27.—A dispatch from Hamar, Norway, gives an account of an international five-mile skating contest. A Norwegian named Hagan won in 17 minutes and 11 seconds.

The closeness of the struggle between the California and Portland ball teams for the coast championship is the event of paramount interest in sporting circles in this section, and plenty of coin is available from backers of both teams.

FROM NEW WESTMINSTER.

Chasing a Murderer—A Charge of Crookedness—A Municipal Feast.

NEW WESTMINSTER, Dec. 28.—Prof. Needham, of Calgary, piano tuner, was nabbed this morning by the police on a forged cheque which he tried to pass. Word from Calgary states also that he has stolen an overcoat and valise. He was remanded until a constable arrives from Calgary to identify him.

Sunday night a farmer named Bruneau, from Stave River, was looking at some cattle in the C.P.N. stock yards, when a bull turned on him and gored him badly in the left thigh. The animal was driven off after receiving hard usage. The man, who was very weak from loss of blood, was taken to the hospital.

A man from Whonnock, near here, has been sent to the insane asylum. He cut off the little finger of his right hand because he fancied it offended him. He had been studying the Bible, and put a literal interpretation on everything.

The tramway company is building a new kind of powerful snow plough to use on the track between here and Vancouver. It begins service next week. Trains on the C.P.R. are delayed by heavy falls of snow around Yale and North Bend.

NEW WESTMINSTER, Dec. 29.—Governor Moresby, of the Provincial jail, left this morning in hot haste for Bickley Bay to arrest the murderer of Small, found dead in the water there last week. Coroner Dr. McGuigan goes along. They will charter the steamer Senator at Vancouver for the trip. Mr. Moresby is sure to get the right man and a lot of evidence.

Last night the election of officers in Union Lodge, No. 9, A.F. & A.M., was held. Bishop Sillitoe, Past Master, was presented with a magnificent past master's jewel, made by Clayton of Victoria. This is the finest P. M. jewel ever presented in the province. The officers elected are: Dr. De Wolf Smith, Worshipful Master; T. Bennie, S.W.; A. McKercher, J.W.; B. Douglas, Treasurer; H. G. Ross, Secretary; R. F. Bonson, S. D.; Dr. Walker, J.D.; G. H. Cross, I.G.; A. McLean, F. H. Coulthard, Stewards; J. J. Forrester, Tyler.

After the city council meeting last night Alderman Curtis set up an oyster supper for the board of aldermen, the city officials and the press. The crowd had a gay time at the Douglas hotel. Mayor Townsend was in the chair. The speakers united in condemning the tactics of Vancouver merchants in stealing Westminster's trade. A proposition was made to induce Westminster merchants offer a free car for Vancouver people to come over here and buy goods.

Valuable Information Free.

In a short time hence, do not say "If I had known, what I know now, I would have bought some lots in Alberni City." We tell you now that "Alberni City" is destined to become the great commercial center and metropolis of British Columbia. Get the facts from O'Neill & Cowie, 104 Yates street, Victoria, B. C.

43 Johnson St., for cheap [illegible].

CHILDREN CRUSHED TO DEATH.

An Alarm of Fire Causes a Stampede in a Gateshead Theatre.

LONDON, Dec. 27.—The theatre in Gateshead, county of Durham, was last night the scene of a frightful panic, in which, according to the reports received, at least 10 people were killed outright and many injured. The sight of a small blaze cause by a man in the audience dropping a lighted match on the sawdust covered floor, caused some one to start the cry of "fire." Immediately there was a wild rush for the doors, which, owing to the savage rush, became so blocked that only a few succeeded in getting out. The staircase leading from the gallery also became blocked. The check-taker, who attempted to restrain the crowd, was crushed to death under foot.

When the panic subsided the bodies of nine children, whose lives had been literally crushed out, were found lying on the staircase. A constable, who came to assist in the work of rescue, dragging out a body wedged among the struggling people, discovered it was the body of his own son.

The theatre was literally packed. The shout of "fire" was raised at 10:30 o'clock, and instantly there was dread confusion, in which above all, was heard the shrieks of the women, many of whom fainted. The lessee of the house, stepping on the stage, shouted to the audience to remain seated, assuring them that there was no real danger. Many others attempted to restrain the mad rush for the doors. Most of those on the first floor escaped.

It was a sudden bend in the gallery staircase which caused the fearful jam. The people who had fallen, and who were lying in heaps screaming and groaning, were trampled upon. At last so many struggling people had fallen that all passage for exit was effectually blocked by the mass of writhing human beings, and those still remaining on their feet were forced to seek other means of escape.

The occasion was made doubly memorable by several acts of heroism. One man who occupied a gallery seat jumped from the gallery railings to the balcony below and slid thence to the stage, all the time holding a child with his teeth. Other men rescued several women in a similar manner.

Meanwhile the fire was easily extinguished. The police sought medical aid and assisted in extricating the victims from the staircase with difficulty. A child after crying piteously, "save me, save me," died before it could be reached.

News of the disaster spread rapidly, and soon thousands of frantic people were rushing to the scene to ascertain the fate of relatives or friends. Within a few hours all the dead were identified with the exception of one. All were between the ages of 13 and 16. The members of the company escaped in their costumes, and when they returned their dressing rooms had been robbed of their ordinary clothing. The lessee of the theatre announces that he will give the proceeds of a performance to the bereaved and close the theatre pending an enquiry.

MATTERS IN EUROPE.

Lord Hartington's Removal—Waterford Election—The Comte de Paris.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Smalley's special cablegram to the Tribune from London says: The death of the Duke of Devonshire is a great political misfortune. The Duke was not active in politics, but he did the state a service by living. While he lived Lord Hartington could sit in the House of Commons. Lord Hartington is to-day Duke of Devonshire, and the House of Commons will know him no more. His departure to the House of Lords, if not a disaster to the Unionist party, will seriously impair his usefulness. He, more than any other, or all others, has been the chief reliance of Unionists. So long as he led the Liberal-Unionists in the Commons it was difficult for the Gladstonian organs to say a word against the loyalty, honor and uprightness of the policy which Lord Hartington directed. Now there must be a successor, and the successor seems likely to be Chamberlain. Nobody thinks Chamberlain deficient in ability, and nobody among his opponents professes to trust him. They hate him. No man is so hated or reviled. The Tories will not regard him with the same feelings which made them put implicit trust in Lord Hartington. There have been occasions when the Unionist alliance depended upon this trust, and there may again be occasions when the Tory party will have to accept or reject it on personal grounds. These will not be moments when Chamberlain's leadership will be most valuable. From the Upper Chamber the new Duke of Devonshire may still direct the general councils of his party. It is not supposed that he will withdraw from political life, but in every session there come critical moments in the House of Commons, when grave decisions have to be taken instantly. They can only be taken by the leader of the party in that House. There is no time for consultation, and then, if ever, will his followers and allies lament the want of Lord Hartington's good sense, good feeling, loyalty, sure judgment and unequaled authority, outside as well as inside the House of Commons.

The political effect of Davitt's defeat is variously estimated and probably it is too soon to form an accurate opinion. Waterford, no doubt, was a Parnellite stronghold, but Davitt was a strong candidate, and until the day before election he was expected to capture it. O'Brien, Dillon and Davitt himself were prophetic and confident—more than confident, jubilant, over the coming victory, which never came. Archbishop Walsh, who has a shrewd head for politics, was against the contest. Mr. Redmond, in the flush of victory, sees Parnellism rising again, phœnix-like, from its ashes. Gladstonians are chagrined and perplexed, because Waterford postponed indefinitely that unity of the Nationalist party in Ireland, on which Gladstone in 1886 and ever since based his whole argument for Home Rule. It is now thought that a number of other seats must be carried by the Parnellites. Their distrust of Gladstone is avowed. Their policy is summed up in the word irreconcilable. The Unionists are content. They considered Home Rule just as much identified with Fenianism as Davitt would if he had been elected. They look without dismay upon the prospects of a prolonged wrangle between the two factions, each of whom claimed precedence in sedition.

A London paper started a story this week that the Comte de Paris had abandoned, or presently would abandon, his pretensions to the throne of France, break up his party organization, dissolve his committee, renounce what he calls his claims, petition the government for leave to return to French soil, and become a good citizen of the republic. It was a pretty story, but implied a degree of patriotic good sense on the part of this princely pretender which he has heretofore omitted to show. It was forthwith denied. The denial did not induce the author to relinquish it, nor to prevent him from buttressing it with many ingenious qualifications, designed to break the force and divert meaning of the denial. Finally came a statement from Comte d'Haussenville which seems to be sufficiently explicit. He informed the Orleanist meeting at Marseilles that his chief's love for his country would never permit him to abandon the cause, which he considers not so much his own as that of France. This "never" seemed to cover a considerable length of future time.

FIGHTING THE TRIBESMEN.

British Troops Capture Another Fort in the Pamir Country.

CALCUTTA, Dec. 28.—A dispatch from Gilget, on the Cashmere frontier, states that the British forces made a forward movement against the Hunza and Nagar tribesmen and captured another fort, located a short distance from the fort of Nilt, the fortified position which recently fell into the hands of the British after a struggle with the tribesmen.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—A dispatch from Calcutta this evening gives an account of another engagement on the Pamir frontier and of another display of gallantry upon the part of a British officer. According to this dispatch news has just been received at Calcutta from Gilgit, the most northern outpost or agency of British India, to the effect that Lieut. Manners Smith, at the head of a body of Kashmirs, in the British service, has scaled a precipice opposite Fort Nilt, recently so gallantly taken, and that the lieutenant after a desperate fight with the Hansa Nagar rebels, drove them from behind the stone breastworks they had erected above the precipice, killing seventy of the enemy and wounding many others. The force under the command of Lieut. Smith was about one hundred men. This detachment, composed entirely of Kashmirs, he divided into two corps of about fifty men each. The younger and more agile men he selected as the scaling party. He left the remaining fifty Kashmirs at the foot of the precipice, near the entrance to the gorge, which the rebels had fortified with a strong stone breastwork. This reserve force had instructions to support the scaling party, should the latter be in danger of being driven back. When the necessary preparations were made, fire was opened upon the enemy by the supporting body, and under its cover the scaling party sprang up the sides of the precipice, stopping now and then to take a pot shot at the rebel tribesmen, who, from behind their breastworks poured a hot, but ragged and badly directed, fire upon the Kashmirs. There was no resisting the attack of the Kashmirs, led by the British lieutenant. They climbed and scrambled up the sides of the precipice until they reached the vicinity of the stone breastwork, previously referred to. There the lieutenant gathered his men together and after pouring a couple of volleys into the enemy, he led the way right up to the rebel fortification and springing over it, followed closely by the Kashmirs, sword, knife and bayonet did the rest in short order. The rebels no sooner saw the Kashmirs climbing over the breastworks than they tried to escape further punishment. This, however, was anticipated by the lieutenant, who again gathered his native soldiers and making a dash for the rear of the breastwork succeeded in cutting off the retreat of 118 men, who upon being threatened with a volley if they did not throw down their arms, suddenly surrendered. Lieut. Smith then gave a signal to the supporting force below the precipice, and this body, with the main expeditionary force under Captain McKenzie, scaled the precipice and the whole party joined in the pursuit of the flying rebels. So hot was the pursuit of the Kashmirs that the Hunsa Nagar tribesmen were utterly unable to reform their ranks in spite of the efforts made in that direction by their chiefs. The British pursuing force pushed forward relentlessly, driving the rebels before them in all directions and eventually capturing Gulmit, Pisa and Mayun, which places are now occupied by British auxiliaries. Throughout this engagement such was the wild firing of the tribesmen that the British forces only had four men wounded. A later dispatch says that the Khan of Nagar, utterly discouraged by this defeat, has submitted to the British military authorities and that he will be taken under escort to Simla. This engagement is the result of instructions sent to Lt.-Colonel Durand shortly after the capture of Fort Nilt. The officer referred to was ordered to teach the chieftains of Hunsa and Nagar a lesson they would not soon forget. This step has been found necessary as a result of the recent hostile demonstrations upon the part of the Hunsa Nagar tribesmen, which were coupled with the appearance of Colonel Yanoff's Cossacks at the foot of the passes leading from the Pamir steppes into the Hunsea valley.

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10:15 a.m.	Lv	24	...Seattle...	93	Lv	3:00 a.m.
1:30 p.m.	Lv	72	Pt Townsend	35	Lv	11:45 p.m.
4:30 p.m.	Ar	117	..Victoria†..	Mi	Lv	8:30 p.m.

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9:00 p.m.	Lv	24	...Seattle...	100	Lv	2:30 p.m.
12:15 a.m.	Lv	72	Pt Townsend	52	Lv	11:30 a.m.
2:25 a.m.	Lv	105	..Anacortes..	20	Lv	9:15 a.m.
6:45 a.m.	Ar	121	..Fairhaven..	3	Lv	8:00 a.m.
6:10 a.m.	Ar	123	...Sehome...	1	Lv	7:30 a.m.
4:30 a.m.	Ar	124	..Whatcom*..	Mi	Lv	6:00 a.m.

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TIME TABLE No. 15.

Taking effect Oct. 1, 1891.

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For Moresby Island Friday at 7 o'clock.
Leave New Westminster for Victoria, Monday at 13 o'clock; Thursday and Saturday at 7 o'clock.
For Plumper Pass Saturday at 7 o'clock.

Fraser River Route.

Steamers leave New Westminster for Chilliwack and Way Landings every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 7 o'clock.

Northern Route.

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8:15 p.m.	Ar.	......Seattle......	Lv.	2:30 p.m.
9:00 p.m.	Lv.	......Seattle......	Ar.	1:30 p.m.
12:01 a.m.	Ar.	..Port Townsend..	Lv.	10:30 a.m.
12:30 a.m.	Lv.	..Port Townsend..	Ar.	10:15 a.m.
*3:30 a.m.	Ar.	......Victoria......	Lv.	†7:30 a.m.

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TIME TABLE NO. 15.

To take effect at 8.00 a.m. on Tuesday, October 20th, 1891.

☞ Trains run on Pacific Standard Time. ☜

GOING SOUTH. READ UP. No. 1 Passenger Daily.	No. 3 Passenger Sat. and Sun.	Miles from Wellington.	STATIONS.	Miles from Victoria.	GOING NORTH. READ DOWN. No. 2 Passenger Daily.	No. 4 Passenger Sat. and Sun.
Ar. 12:24 P M	Ar. 5:30 P M	78	VICTORIA	[illegible]	De. 8:00 A M	De. 3:00 P M
12:20	5:24	77	RUSSELL'S	[illegible]	8:04	[illegible]
12:10	5:14	74	ESQUIMALT	[illegible]	8:14	[illegible]
11:45 A M	[illegible]	[illegible]	GOLDSTREAM	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
10:50	[illegible]	[illegible]	SHAWNIGAN LAKE	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
10:40	[illegible]	[illegible]	COBBLE HILL	[illegible]	9:44	[illegible]
10:27	[illegible]	[illegible]	McPHERSON'S	[illegible]	9:57	[illegible]
10:17	[illegible]	[illegible]	KOKSILAH	[illegible]	10:07	[illegible]
10:12	[illegible]	[illegible]	DUNCAN'S	[illegible]	10:12	[illegible]
10:07	[illegible]	[illegible]	SOMENOS	[illegible]	10:22	[illegible]
[illegible]	3:12	[illegible]	CHEMAINUS	[illegible]	10:46	[illegible]
Ar. [illegible]	2:14	[illegible]	NANAIMO	[illegible]	Ar. 11:30	6:14
De. [illegible]					De. 11:30	
De. 8:10	De. 1:30	5	WELLINGTON	[illegible]	Ar. 12:14 P M	Ar. 6:30

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CABLE NOTES.

Anti-Slavery Operations—Indemnity From China—Russian Swindles.

It is discovered that the flour for famine relief which the municipality of St. Petersburg purchased at an exorbitant rate was so adulterated that it was unfit for food.

The Royalist committee of the Department of Finisterre intend to ask the Archbishop of Aix to be a candidate for a seat in the Chamber of Deputies made vacant by the death of Bishop Freppel.

A wealthy man named Hambeek, of Fratz, in Austria, shot his sons, aged six and seven, and then committed suicide, having an idea that his sons, who stammered, had a hereditary taint of insanity.

The Times' Zanzibar dispatch says Commissioner Johnson and Captain MacQuire had several battles with the slave caravans in British Central Africa. They released the slaves and punished the raiders and compelled them to sign an agreement to abandon raiding.

The Paris Eclair states that De Brazza, at the head of an expedition of 1200 persons, 600 being Senegal troops and 600 Europeans, with plenty of provisions and firearms, left Lebreville, in the French Congo colony, November 7, for the purpose of marching to Lake Tchead.

Mr. Leghait, the Belgian minister at Washington, has received a cablegram announcing that the Brussels anti-slave trade convention was ratified by the French Senate. The Chamber of Deputies took similar action on the 24th inst. Eighteen powers were represented in the Brussels conference, and the adhesion of all is requisite to render this "acte generale" effective. France makes the seventeenth nation that has ratified the convention, leaving only the United States to determine whether it shall become operative or not.

The Chinese legation in Paris has published an account of the measures taken by the Chinese Government to satisfy Europe in connection with the recent anti-foreign riots in China. The legation attributed the Yang-tse-Kiang outrages to the Kolaohui, a secret society, and says that owing to the severe measures taken for its suppression there have been no riots since September. Indemnities amounting to $100,000 have been paid to missions and to the families of two Englishmen who were killed. Four of the rioters have been executed and many others punished. The authors of all anti-foreign pamphlets will in future be condemned to death.

CANADIAN NOTES.

Latest Happenings Reported by Mail and Wire From the East.

Hon. J. A. Chapleau is down with grippe.

A big seizure of lottery tickets has been made in Montreal.

Featherstone, Liberal M.P. for Peel, has been unseated for bribery by agents.

The nomination for Glengarry takes place on January 7th; polling a week later.

The Commercial hotel at Berlin was burned this morning. Loss, $5000; partially insured.

The Montreal Herald suspended publication Saturday, having been in existence 84 years.

There are three candidates for the Ottawa mayoralty, with aldermanic contests in every ward.

The Postoffice Department is negotiating with Dominica for the establishment of a parcel post and money order service.

Ninety-eight licenses under the *modus vivendi* have been issued to Yankee fishing vessels this year, twenty-one less than last season.

Sir John Thompson on Saturday night addressed a Kingston meeting on behalf of Mr. Metcalfe. The election is expected to come on in January.

Messrs. F. X. Lemeiux, Charles Fitzpatrick and other members who supported Mr. Mercier, decline to be again candidates for the Legislature.

The eldest daughter of Justice Burton, of the Ontario Court of Appeals, was wedded to McPherson, of the Presbyterian Church, New Zealand, an Saturday.

It is proposed to present Hon. O. Mowat with an oil painting of himself on the occasion of the opening of the new Provincial Parliament building. Work on the building is now nearing completion, and it is expected July next will see it ready for occupation.

Rufus Pope has resigned his seat for Compton in the House of Commons, on the ground of ill-health. This plea is supposed to be a cover for his dissatisfaction at Premier Abbott's neglect of W. Bullock Ives, who organized a strong boom last session upon which to mount into the Cabinet. Mr. Pope is a brother-in-law of Mr. Ives, and naturally resents Mr. Abbott's neglect of him.

An Unscrupulous Adventurer.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 28.—The report received by telegraph that John Anderson was arrested in Albany, N.Y., is of great interest to many people in St. Louis, where the man cut a wide swath as a matrimonial adventurer. He came to St. Louis three weeks ago, and put up at a small but aristocratic hotel on Washington avenue. He seemed to have plenty of money and lived high. He said he was a wealthy ranch owner of California, and wanted a middle aged lady of means to join her fortune with his. He received many answers and came to an understanding with a Mrs. Purcell, who owned a small store and something like $2000 in cash. While he was negotiating with her, a widow from Girrard, Kan., accompanied by a young man, made an appearance. It has since developed that Anderson had been to Girrard, met this woman, persuaded her to sell some coal lands and join him here. He had told her to bring a stout young man with her to act as secretary of his ranch. He got the young man to give him sixty dollars, all he had, and saying he would go and get the marriage license and then buy railroad tickets for the party, departed. He went straight to the station and with Mrs. Purcell left for Cleveland, Ohio. Anderson robbed Mrs. Purcell, whom he had married, and leaving her destitute disappeared. It is for this crime he was arrested in Albany. He also fooled three other women, one of these a young girl 16 years old, believed to be an accomplice; another about 18 years old eloped at Chicago with him some months ago. These two are anxious to keep their experience secret and, so far as known, they do not say that he married them. The third, however, is a middle aged woman whom the people call the mystery. She has told the chief of police her name and who she is, but otherwise her identity is a secret. She says Anderson married her over a year ago, and she will put him in the penitentiary for bigamy if possible.

No Trace of Mrs. Osborne.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—The whereabouts of Mrs. Osborne, who has practically been proved to have stolen the famous jewels which were missed by Mrs. Hargreaves while Mrs. Osborne was a guest of the latter lady at Torquay, is still unknown. The Leeds police, acting under a warrant of arrest, have thoroughly searched the city without finding the disgraced lady. There is no means of knowing whether or not Major Osborne is aware of the hiding place of his wife, but the impression is that he does not and that a friend of the family has undertaken to see that she is kept out of harm's way, without informing the major as to her exact location. It is reported that she is somewhere on the continent. It transpires that when Major Osborne examined the signatures at the Bank of England on the notes which had been received by the mysterious lady who sold the jewels to Spink & Son, and identified them as those of his wife, he fainted. Up to that time he had believed implicitly in his wife's innocence. A dramatic touch was given the affair by the fact that the identification was made through comparison with the signature of Mrs. Osborne's maiden name to her marriage settlement. After learning the lamentable position in which he was placed, the major tendered his resignation, but after consultation with his colonel he withdrew it and was given six months' leave to allow time to elapse for final developments. Great sympathy is expressed for the officer. The matter could have been glossed over as a case of kleptomania on Mrs. Osborne's part but for the perjury she committed in court, which the authorities cannot ignore.

Christine Nilsson's Poor Relatives.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 27.—In his Christmas rounds among the poor, Agent Frellson of the associated charities found a sister of Christine Nilsson, the Swedish singer, in very straitened circumstances. She is the wife of Nils Hvale, a Swedish teacher, who lives in the rear of 611 Eleventh street. Mrs. Hvale is an elder sister of Christine Nilsson, and both she and her husband are people of education, but he has not been able to secure constant employment, and the family, which is a large one, has been reduced to actual want. Not long ago Christine Nilsson came to Milwaukee to sing at one of Thomas' concerts, and she visited her sister at that time, but, out of pride, the extent of the family's poverty was concealed from her, and she remained in ignorance of their real condition. Friends have interested themselves in their welfare and an effort will be made to provide Mr. Hvale with a situation. Mrs. Hvale has a daughter who possesses a remarkably fine soprano voice, but her parents, who hope that she may some day be a prima donna like her aunt, are unable to give her a musical education. Musicians who have heard her sing were impressed with the quality of her voice, and will render assistance in giving her a conservatory training.

Suffered for His Crime.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 28.—Lem Jones was hanged at Olive Springs this morning at 9:30 o'clock. Jones was sentenced to death for the murder of his wife and child, braining the child and splitting the woman's head open, on June 28, 1889. Jones fled from the scene of his crime, and disguising himself, worked as a herdsman on a ranch for three months. An indignation meeting was held by the people of Cass county and a demand made on the government for a reward. The government offered $200 and the citizens $300 for his delivery. Pinkerton's agency got on his track and captured him. The trial was a long one. He was sentenced for murder in the first degree in the two cases, secured a new trial and received the penalty. The Supreme Court affirmed the decision. The prisoner was shown unusual attention while in jail on account of his prominence, he having been county superintendent of schools. He was also a deacon in the Baptist Church, and every effort was made to have a respite granted, but the crime was such a heinous one that the Governor refused to favor him.

An Arizona Blaze.

TOMBSTONE, Dec. 28.—The Contention Mine works were burned yesterday. The loss is $300,000. The amount of insurance is not known, but is believed to be $150,000. The fire caught in the roof of the blacksmith shop, where the watchman had a stove to keep him warm. The residence of the superintendent was also destroyed. The loss includes the pumping plant. The 600 foot shaft is still burning. No work had been done on the mine for several years, owing to a misunderstanding with other companies on pumping the water. The mine is owned principally in San Francisco.

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SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—Advices from the South Seas give startling news from the Gilbert Islands in the Pacific, brought by the missionary bark John Williams, now at Samoa. Just before the bark visited the group very severe weather prevailed, during which there were several tidal upheavals, the result, doubtless, of submarine disturbances. Tidal waves broke high over some of the islands of the group, causing great loss of life and completely demolishing houses. At one island alone the Rev. J. W. Hall, of the London Missionary Society, writes that no less than eighty natives perished. The track of the tidal waves is not known, but if the Gilbert group has suffered so severely it is scarcely probable that other islands have escaped destruction. Further information is anxiously looked for.

La Grippe's Victims.

BOSTON, Dec. 28.—According to the returns received by the Board of Health, nine deaths from grippe occurred during the week just closed.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The number of deaths from la grippe reported to the Board of Health to-day was ten, five males and five females. Yesterday's report was eleven. The total number of deaths from all causes was 97, against 150 yesterday.

For Chili's Benefit.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The Navy Department has ordered a shipment of 42,000 pounds of prismatic powder and 11,000 six-inch shells from League Island to San Francisco. The department has also ordered the new twelve-inch gun made at the Washington Navy Yard to be sent to San Francisco. The gun will be placed on a large flat car and taken to the Pacific coast.

Committed Suicide.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 28.—Newell J. Miner, eastern auditor for Armour & Co., suicided to-day at the Turkish bath rooms, 10th and Filbert streets.

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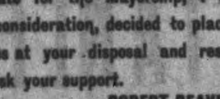

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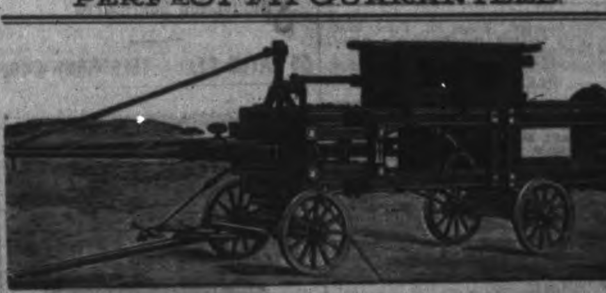

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The Daily Times.

THE HIGH COMMISSIONER.

The Canada Club in London had a dinner one evening in the early part of this month, whereat Sir Charles Tupper was of course one of the notable speakers. Sir Charles, equally of course, aired his faculty for "stretching." He made the remarkable announcement that the United States conferred two great favors on Canada when it abrogated the reciprocity treaty of 1854 and enacted the McKinley tariff law. Instead of proving harmful to Canada by decreasing her trade with the States, these two events had done her an incalculable amount of good by driving the provinces together and drawing the whole country closer to England. In short, from Sir Charles' way of speaking, the innocent Englishmen might be led to infer that it was a very good thing for Canada not to be able to trade with her southern neighbor. It probably did not occur to the High Commissioner that if his contentions were correct the Dominion Government is a little foolish in attempting to negotiate a new reciprocity treaty with the United States. If it does us good to be shut out partially from the market nearest to us we should seek to complete and continue the process rather than put an end to it by dickering with Washington. Yet Sir John Macdonald made reciprocity his excuse for a premature dissolution of Parliament and appeal to the people last winter, and the High Commissioner went up and down the country bellowing about the wisdom of Sir John's course. He might have said a few words to his English friends at the Canada Club dinner in explanation of these erratic proceedings. It is possible, however, that he does not care to offer them too much enlightenment, or in time they might come to know him as well and value him as lightly as his fellow-countrymen do. Sir Charles had another topic to speak upon in the death of Sir John Macdonald. That was a tremendous blow to the country but the country had "surmounted" it. Sir Charles would have been closer to the truth if he had represented the death of Sir John as a tremendous blow to the Conservative party, from which it is very unlikely to recover in any measure. Then he might further have explained that the country and the Conservative party are two very different things, and that the prosperity of the former does not depend on the existence of the latter. Tupper's regard for the truth certainly does not increase with his age.

CUSTOMS TYRANNY.

A few weeks ago the Exchequer Court at Ottawa was called upon to give judgment in the suit of a Mr. Patterson, a Montreal merchant, against the Customs Department on account of the wrongful seizure of a number of watch cases which he had imported from the States. The cases were to a certain extent out of date and unsaleable in the U. S. market, wherefore Mr. Patterson was able to buy them at a reduced price. In order to save himself trouble with the customs he consulted the appraiser at Montreal as to the price at which the goods should be entered, and he furnished such evidence as satisfied that officer, who agreed to the fixing of a certain price on which duty should be paid. The goods were accordingly entered and cleared in due form, the importer supposing that no difficulty would be encountered. But along came one of Mr. Bowell's "special agents," who accused Mr. Patterson of entering the cases at too low a price, and placed the whole consignment under seizure. Instead of submitting to injustice, as many importers have done rather than quarrel with the department, Mr. Patterson brought suit in the Exchequer Court, where Judge Burbidge decided in his favor, declaring the seizure to be wrongful and unjustifiable. The importer, therefore, got back his goods and the "special agent" was left without his expected reward.

This case is but a sample of the tyrannical methods of the Customs Department under Mr. Bowell's administration, which appear to be all the time growing worse. The Montreal correspondent of the Globe cites a number of cases which further show the iniquity of the "special agent" system. Under this system importers, as in Mr. Patterson's case, may comply with the regulations to the satisfaction of the regular customs officials, and afterwards find themselves the victims of some special agent, who has an incentive to action in the shape of half the fine that may be imposed. One case mentioned by the correspondent is that of an old and respectable Montreal firm who not long ago imported a quantity of explosives from England, had the consignment passed in the regular way and stored the goods at Lachute. Shortly afterwards there appeared a special agent of the Department, who seized the goods on the ground of undervaluation, and on the case being referred to Ottawa a fine of $5000 was imposed. The importers paid the fine under protest, as they were in urgent need of the goods. They then secured from England indubitable evidence that there had been no undervaluation, and that the invoices were correct in every particular. With this evidence they were prepared to take the matter before the Exchequer Court, but the Department "came down" and acknowledged its mistake, at the same time making the surprising offer of remitting half the fine. This was not satisfactory to the firm, who demanded the return of the whole $5000, to which the Department replied that the other half had been disposed of. It was no doubt paid to the "special agent." However, the Department had finally to surrender completely and pay back the whole fine.

Another Montreal merchant who has suffered from the tyranny of the Department, wrote thus to Minister Bowell: "You make the law to suit yourself. What I want is justice as a British subject. Your agents keep my goods. I have no redress. They merely reply, 'We have no responsibility in the matter. The Government sustains us.' This is putting a premium on dishonesty. This is inviting them to steal. They have my goods, for which I paid. If the transaction occurred in my store I would know what to call it and how to treat it. Do your agents want presents? Why don't they say so? Why don't they say that they want the merchants to support them?"

The detestable methods pursued by the Department are no doubt due to the eagerness of the Government to help out the "National Policy" by discouraging importation to the greatest extent possible. Not satisfied with giving manufacturers the advantage of heavy protective taxes they try to cut off competition from abroad by making the importer's life a burden to him. None but a Tory Government would embark in any such enterprise.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Mr. Rufus Pope, who succeeded his father, Hon. John Henry Pope, in the representation of Compton, Que., in the House of Commons, is said to have resigned his seat because Mr. W. B. Ives was not taken into the Cabinet. Mr. Ives is Mr. Pope's brother-in-law, and regarded himself as the natural successor of Mr. Colby in the Cabinet as representative of the Eastern Townships. This result of the crushing of Mr. Ives' ambition we may fully expect to see repeated in other parts of the country, where there is jealousy and ill feeling among the Conservatives utterly beyond the power of Premier Abbott to allay.

Hon. Wm. Ross, who is again the Liberal candidate in Victoria, N.S., thus sums up matters in his election address:

> I am now quite advanced in years, and have no desire to renew the turmoil of a contested election, especially in midwinter, and would gladly avoid this struggle. But the interests of the country seem to demand the sacrifice. Since March last the revelations of the census have demonstrated that the country is retrograding in population where once it was rapidly gaining. Twenty years ago Victoria county was going forward at the rate of 20 per cent. During the past ten years, under the blighting effect of the National Policy, the population has greatly decreased, and the flower of our young men and women have been driven from home. Farms have declined in value, trade has been depressed and fresh burdens are being laid upon the people.
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> But this is not the worst. Since March last there has come to light a series of scandals that have covered this country with shame and disgraced us in the eyes of the civilized world. The Department of Public Works has been for years a sink of iniquity, and hundreds of thousands of dollars have been corruptly taken from the treasury by contractors with the connivance of officials, in order that hundreds of thousands should be corruptly obtained from contractors to bribe the electors and keep the Government in power. Ministers have received testimonials from the very contractors having business with their departments. The printing bureau was another centre of corruption. The names of Langevin, McGreevy, Chapleau, Senecal and Haggart are associated with everything calculated to degrade the country.
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> Under these circumstances I cannot refuse to accept the call at whatever sacrifice. I stand for pure and honest government, for economical administration, for freedom of trade and for reciprocity with the United States. I stand for the downfall of boodleism, and for that "righteousness which exalteth a nation."

THE CENSUS ENUMERATORS.

TO THE EDITOR:—Can you inform me why the Dominion Government have failed to pay the census enumerators for the Westminster district? Some have advanced a couple of hundred dollars for expenses out of their own pockets, and are at this season of the year, when it is difficult to obtain employment, left in straightened circumstances through some official who, no doubt, is well supplied himself. The sooner a change of government takes place the better. We have had enough of the *boodlers*.

A SUFFERER.

New Westminster, Dec. 25, 1891.

AN ISLAND OF THE DEAD.

Miles of Bare Rocks Covered with Thousands of Human Skeletons.

A party of explorers from Ventura, Cal., recently returned from an expedition to San Nicholas island, which is located seventy miles off the coast of California, opposite Monterey county. The island is twelve miles long and four miles wide. On the east side of the island the party found human bones for a distance of five miles along the beach. They also discovered the remains of hundreds of human bodies upon the higher land half a mile from the beach. In some places two and three skeletons were found together as if they had been buried in the same grave. The wind had blown the soil away, exposing the ghastly relics of some unknown race.

From all appearances, says a San Francisco paper, upward of four or five thousand bodies must have been buried on the island. A rude hut was found on the west side of the island, buried to the roof in sand. The explorers visited the islands with a view to taking up government land. After walking around for two days on a carpet of human bones and bare rocks they concluded not to exhaust their rights on land so valueless. The rocks were entirely destitute of soil, giving the whole island a very desolate appearance.

WINTER BATHING.

Daily Plunges Into Ice Water With the Temperature at Zero.

A correspondent of the Buffalo Commercial recalls an experience of winter bathing with several comrades in the central part of the state some twenty years ago. It was more than "frequently" that we indulged in an open-air winter bath; it was a daily institution from autumn till the following spring time, a zero temperature not daunting. The bathing place was kept open by cutting and removing the ice as often as necessary. The daily bath was abandoned after the ice disappeared, because the zest and glow of the reaction were missed. The bath, as may be imagined, was a bold plunge, a second's disappearance, and then a hasty retreat to shelter for the vigorous application of a crash towel. It may be superfluous to say that there was no dawdling between the towel application and the donning of the warm suit that had been thrown off a moment before. It was sought, I remember, to extract as much fun and good humor as possible from the exercises by introducing often some little competitive scheme. For instance, the one who could emerge from the icy plunge with the broadest and blandest smile wreathing his features was rewarded with vociferous bravos from the group of onlookers. Suffice it to say that the "smiles" were often quite forced and artificial, but were not the less provocative of merriment in the spectators. The bathers laughed at pneumonia and all kindred ailments that flesh is heir to. If any caution were needed it might be added that tonics of the above kind are for those only who enjoy robust health.

Sixty Years in Siberia.

A Napoleonic veteran has lately returned to St. Petersburg from Siberia. This old gentleman, who is a Pole by birth and a native of Wilna, is named Amitsetzky, and has attained the age of one hundred and three. He was Napoleon I.'s adjutant, took part in his world-famed expedition to Russia, and was decorated by the emperor with the Legion of Honor at the battle of Wagram. He was taken prisoner at Beresina, and, receiving a pardon from the Czar, remained for a time in the Russian service. But, for having taken part in the Polish rising of 1832, he was condemned to twenty years' imprisonment in the mines of Siberia. On the termination of his sentence he was free to quit Siberia, but he has been forty years in taking advantage of his permission.

The Jealous Bear.

Grizzly Bear (to his wife)—I saw you hugging a strange man.

Mrs. Bear—You wrong me, Griz. That wasn't a man. It's a nice fat dude I caught for our Thanksgiving dinner.—Jury.

The Latest.

Photographs on handkerchiefs, book marks, etc., will not break, wash out or fade, see samples at Jones & Co., 60 Yates street.

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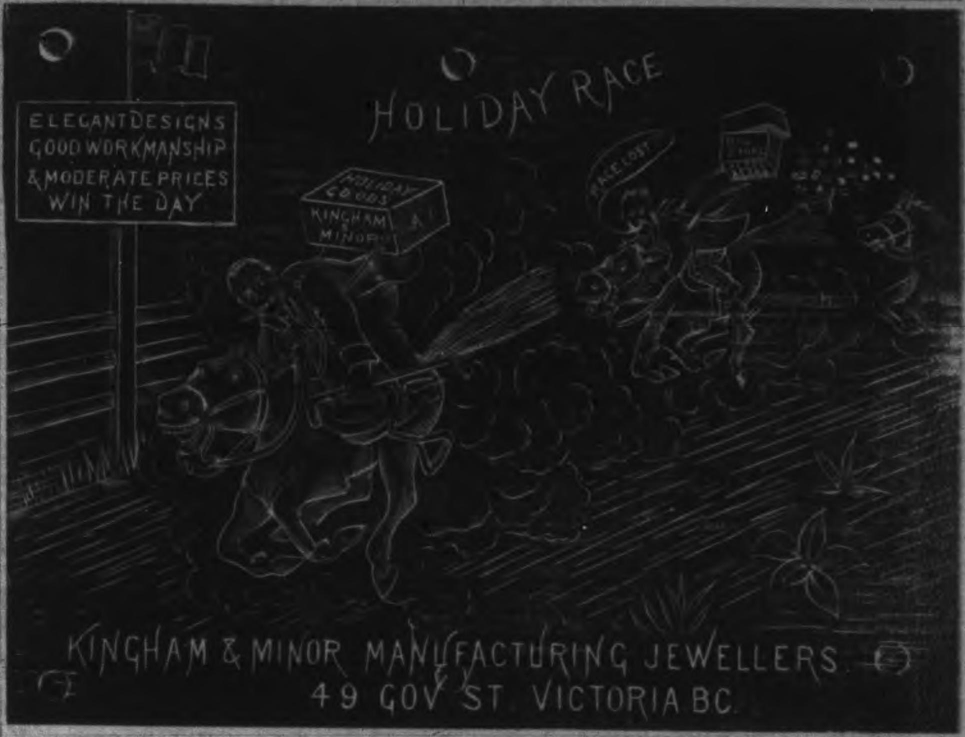
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Great Reduction in Prices.

Flour, sugars, teas, coffees; all kinds of meats and fish, dried and preserved fruit, etc., etc. Before buying elsewhere call and get price list. 106 Yates street.

Victoria Theatre Co.

There will be a special general meeting of the Victoria Theatre Company in the Driard this evening, when business of unusual importance touching the future management of the theatre will be brought forward.

Geo. A. Shade

Has removed to 81½ Yates street, opposite the Clarence hotel where he is, prepared to make and repair boots and shoes at short notice. All kinds of rubber goods repaired. Satisfaction guaranteed or no charge. 1m

New By-Laws.

Alderman Holland gives notice that at the next general meeting of the council he will introduce a by-law to regulate the election of the mayor and aldermen for 1892, also a by-law providing for the appointment of a market superintendent.

City Police Court.

Mr. William Dalby, J. P., occupied the bench in the city police court this morning in the absence of Mr. Belyea, P.M. There was one case to-day, that of Jennie, an Indian woman, for having an intoxicant in her possession. She was fined $25.

Royal Templars of Temperance.

The first annual meeting and social of the Royal Templars of Temperance was held last evening in Temperance Hall, Dr. Ernest Hall being in the chair. A splendid programme was presented by well known vocalists. Dr. Smith addressed the meeting.

New Year's Ball.

Prof. J. Oliver will give a grand ball on New Year's eve. Refreshments will be provided. All wishing to enjoy a pleasant evening and to have the last dance of this year and the first of next will have an opportunity. Good music will be in attendance. Admission, gents, $1; ladies free.

All kinds of cutlery at Fox's, 78 Government street.

The World's Fair.

Consul Myers has received some very concisely written circulars of the World's Fair and its operations at Chicago. There is also an outline of the principal buildings. These circulars are printed in almost every language, and Mr. Myers would be pleased to give any one interested a copy.

Temporary Steamer Changes.

The steamer Danube is expected to leave the dock by Friday, when the Islander will go in to have new blades put on her propeller. H.M.S. Pheasant will follow the Islander into the dock. While the latter steamer is laid up the Yosemite will take the Vancouver run and the Princess Louise the Westminster run.

Winter is Here.

Winter is here and the snow is falling in the vicinity of Messrs. B. Williams & Co.'s clothing establishment, at 97 Johnson street. Come and see if our display of Christmas gifts, comprising silk handkerchiefs, ties, scarfs, cuff buttons, scarf pins, silk umbrellas, fancy braces, gloves, etc., is not the finest in the city.

St. Barnabas Church.

Confirmation services will be held at St. Barnabas church this evening at 8 o'clock by the Lord Bishop of Columbia. There are twelve candidates for confirmation. On New Year's eve choral communion will be held in the same church at a quarter past eleven. Archdeacon Scriven and Rev. Hewitson will conduct the services.

She Will Not Call.

The C.P.R. steamship Empress of India, which is due from the Orient tomorrow, will not touch at the outer dock on her way to Vancouver as many had expected. A tender will as usual go out to bring in the passengers and mail. Mr. A. Cameron, the local agent, however, says that it is more than likely hat she will call on her way out.

Busy These Days.

he staff at the custom house is very y just now, the end of the year en ing a deal of extra work. Illness in clerks' department has shortened staff by three, but in spite of this erything goes on smoothly. In addi n to the regular routine custom house ork, the shipping articles for the out ing fleet of sealers are now being got n ready and the crews are being gned.

The Public Market.

There are over a dozen of the best talls rented in the public market, and he tenants are preparing them for ccupation. The fire which destroyed he Chinese washhouse last night clears part of the intended extension of Broad street into Cormorant, so as to form a direct right of way from the heart of he city into the market. The ground n which the carriage house now tands will doubtless be expropriated or the right of way.

A Splendid Chance

o make bargains at Lange & Co.'s, as hey wish to retire from business as oon as possible. They offer their fine stock of diamonds and other first-class jewelry at cost. All work done and goods sold will be guaranteed as usual. As the members of the firm will remain n Victoria, the public can feel secure n purchasing from them. 93 Government street. They have on hand the hoicest stock of jewelry, diamonds, atches and clocks, etc., to be seen in ictoria.

Silverware Xmas presents at 45 Johnson St.

Seattle's Poultry Show.

big poultry, dog, and pet stock show is to be held at Seattle next month, commencing on the 4th of January. Entries from all parts of the Northwest are already in, and bird fanciers as far south as San Francisco are sending in exhibits. Victoria will be represented by birds sent in by Mr. R. P. McLellan and others. The judge of the poultry will be Mr. F. W. Hitchcock, of Greenleaf, Kan., who is also to be judge of the show to be held here soon. He is an expert in this line.

Undyed Wool Flannel and Health Underwear

Our third year with these popular goods. Wm. Wilson & Co. *

Carving sets at Fox's.

Have Arrived.

The turkeys have arrived. If you want a choice bird for Christmas call early at B. Gordon's. *

Table mats at Fox's.

Carmichael & Paterson

Have a beautiful assortment of gents' plush and fancy slippers, which they are selling cheap. See these goods. 35 Johnson street. tf

Arrived O. K.

A fine stock of Razor Strops; a complete line of shaving materials, etc. Pocket Cutlery, Scissors, Table Cutlery direct from Sheffield, at Fox's, 78 Government street. Call and examine. *

A Christmas Box.

"Moonlight," the beautiful white, prize winning cow of the Cloverdale stock farm, presented her owners with a beautiful bull calf on Christmas day. It has been christened "Christmas Box," and the owners have refused several large offers for it.

Quarterly Meeting.

All new business that is to be brought up at the quarterly meeting of the B.C. Board of Trade, to be held on Friday, the 8th of January, should be sent in immediately to Secretary Elworthy. A number of matters of importance to the city and province will be discussed.

To Bid Him Farewell.

To-night, in the newly enlarged schoolroom of the Calvary Baptist church, the congregations of that and Emmanuel Baptist church will meet to bid farewell to Rev M. L. Rugg, the pastor. Mr. Rugg expects to leave for his new sphere of labor on Thursday evening.

The Empress of India.

The C.P.R. steamer Empress of India from China and Japan, arrived off the outer wharf this afternoon, on her way up to Vancouver. It was impossible to board her there on account of the rough weather and heavy sea in the Straits, and she therefore went to Esquimalt to land her mail and passengers.

Get Your Carpets Cleaned.

All kinds of carpets cleaned and made to look like new, with our new renovating process. Rugs cleaned. Victoria Carpet Cleaning Works, office 102 Douglas street, Pierre block, works corner Pembroke and Quadra. F. L. Nelson, prop.

Linen Crumb cloths at Weiler Bros

The Royal Commission.

The Royal Commission on municipal affairs will no doubt hold its final sitting to-morrow morning. It was thought that there would be fresh evidence submitted by the petitioners on one or two points, but this is not likely. The commissioners' report to the Government will not be made public at first.

Imperial Theatre.

"Camille," the French drama by Alexandre Dumas, was presented by Imperial Stock Company to a large audience last night. Miss Dalgleish as "Camille," was exceedingly good and played her part in a perfect manner. Miss Marshall as "Madame Prudence," was very natural and displayed great ability in her representation. Mr. C. M. Gray as "Gaston Rieux" called forth frequent applause from the delighted audience. Mr. Belmour was seen at his best in his rendition of "Count de Varville" which he played with his usual power. Mr. F. Armstrong as "Armand Duval" most admirably construed the author's meaning and his perfect acting met with due appreciation. "Camille" will be repeated to-night.

Vancouver and Quadra Lodge, A.F. & A.M.

At a regular communication of Vancouver and Quadra Lodge, No. 2, A.F. & A.M., B.C.R., held last evening, the following officers were installed for the ensuing year by D.D.G.M. Geo. Russell and P. G. M. A. McKeown, assisted by other officers of the Grand Lodge: J. E. Phillips, W.M., (re-elected); A. B. Erskine, S.W.; H. Waller, J.W.; J. F. Becker, treasurer, (re-elected 18 times); R. A. Brown, secretary, (re-elected); George H. Brown, senior deacon; Geo. Glover, junior deacon; Adolph Newman, senior steward; W. R. Chestney, junior steward; Cecil Fletcher, inner guard; W. T. Nickells, organist, (re-elected); W. Trickey, tyler, (re-elected). After installation the brethren sat down to a sumptuous repast prepared by Bro. Garland, of the Balmoral. Songs, speeches and recitations were in order until the midnight hour.

Crossley and Hunter.

Surprise was expressed because of the good congregation at the Pandora Avenue Methodist Church last evening, as the weather was not of the most desirable kind. Mr. Hunter, in reading from Genesis, chapter xix., the account of the angels' visit to Lot and urging him to escape for his life, said God never damns a soul without due warning. Pious relatives will not save us. Destruction after warning has been given, comes sudden, is universal and without remedy. Mr. Crossley's subject was the trial of Abraham's faith, taken from Genesis, chapter xxiv. He showed how Abraham was an illustration of God the Father in giving up his only son and that Isaac was an illustration of Jesus as the only Son cheerfully obeying his father and bearing the wood for his own sacrifice. During the evening Messrs. Firth and Crossley sung the duetts "Home at Last," and "The Pearly Gate." Services will be held each evening this week at the usual hour at Pandora street, and on Friday evening, the first of the New Year, the evangelists will say farewell.

To Builders.

45 Johnson street is the place to buy your hardware.

Have you seen him?
Who?
Santa Claus.
Where?
At Dixi H. Ross & Co.

Get prices from Victoria Lithograph Company for lithograph work before placing your orders.

BURNED TO DEATH

Fire in a Chinese Wash House on Pandora Street Early This Morning.

During the high wind at 3 o'clock this morning a fire was discovered in a Chinese wash house on Cormorant street, adjoining Conlin & Rendell's blacksmith shop. The firemen turned three streams of water on the building in quick time, while a number of men removed H. C. Courtenay's carriages from the adjoining wooden building. After a hard fight on the wash house, which extended from Cormorant street to Fisgard street, the fire was extinguished. During the fire one of the hosemen discovered the body of a Chinaman on the floor. It appears that the man was asleep when the fire broke out and rolled out of his bunk, which was beneath a table near the door on Pandora street. At first foul play was suspected; but at 5 o'clock this morning another occupant of the building was found in a restaurant on Fisgard street. This Chinaman was the owner of the wash house, and it is probable that he will also die from his injuries, which are terribly painful. Both his head and hands were badly burned.

The dead Chinaman was either under the influence of opium or else he was suffocated with smoke before he could awake, for it would have been a very easy matter to get out. The door was not more than three feet from his bunk, so that it would have been a matter of just a moment for him to roll out on to the street.

When the fire started a young man broke open a door and found two other Chinamen asleep. He dragged them out of their beds and threw them out on the street. He then tried to enter the building again, but the whole place was in a blaze. The coroner was notified and viewed the remains of the dead Chinaman. The stables of H. Courtenay and other buildings adjoining had a narrow escape. The loss amounts to about $400. A large number of persons, including a few firemen, will lose their washing.

There was no insurance on the shack, and the space made by the fire can be utilized for a more presentable building.

Not a little credit is due to the firemen, who had a severe task, in the gale that was blowing, to save the buildings on either side. The carriage house got off with simply a singing, and the structure on the other side, over which is the Chinese school, escaped altogether.

An inquest was held this afternoon by the coroner on the body of the burnt Chinaman, when a verdict of accidental death was returned.

THE TOLMIE CHURCH.

An Entertainment Last Evening—The Children's Treat Coming.

The congregation in connection with the Church of England at Tolmie held a very pleasant social in the schoolroom last Monday night. The young people, of whom there were about sixty present, indulged in that excellent recreation and exercise, dancing, and the music was kindly provided by Mrs. Webb on the piano and Mr. Graham on the violin. The supper was under the management of Mr. and Mrs. Watts and the committee of management was composed of Mesdames Webb, Russell, Harrap and Watts. The room had been beautifully decorated for the Christmas service by Mrs. and the Misses Bellamy.

The Sunday School treat takes place on the 30th, when the children to the number of nearly forty will have tea, a Christmas tree and a magic lantern exhibition, to be given by the Rev. W.H.P. Arden.

A choir has been formed in connection with this congregation under the management of Mr. Watts and Mrs. Webb, and on Christmas day they rendered a beautiful service, including an anthem.

The appeal made to the public by Messrs. Murton and Russell, the church wardens, is meeting with encouraging success, but 400 appeals (under cover of a stamped envelope) are still unanswered. It is confidently hoped that if friends will kindly answer these, building operations will be commenced on the new church in February next. It is astonishing how rapidly this district is filling up and how happy the results of the establishment of services nine months ago by the Rev. M. C. Browne.

NO SERIOUS DAMAGE DONE.

Small Steamers Kept Inside by the Wind—The Damage.

Buildings and almost everything around Victoria are as a rule solid, so that the wind that commenced to blow early last evening and has continued ever since has not so far done any serious damage. Small steamers did not venture out among the white caps, those that were out making for Seattle. The Victorian did not arrive from the Sound until 10:30 this morning, seven hours late, and the Yosemite, from Westminster, came in through the storm shortly afterwards, both having been well shaken, but not badly damaged. The Kingston left on time for the Sound last evening, but the Maude, for Alberni, did not leave as expected. The Islander left for Vancouver at 5 o'clock this morning, three hours late.

At the outer dock the wind was blowing a hurricane, but did no damage. The San Pedro did not budge, and the walls of the docks defied the winds. Several small boat houses and rafts broke from their moorings and drifted on the beach, from which place they can be recovered.

One of the large galvanized iron crosses on the new R. C. Cathedral was bent double by the wind.

A chimney in the Five Sisters Block was blown over, the bricks breaking one of the skylights.

At the residence of Mr. A.S. Dumbleton a large plate glass window in one of the bedrooms was broken, and the wind played havoc with small bric-a-brac in the house.

A house in course of construction in James Bay was blown down, but can be repaired with little cost.

The porch of a small house on Yates street was blown into the street.

The glass was down to 28.70 this morning.

The storm was not felt on the mainland to-day.

A large plate-glass window in E. G. Prior & Co.'s building and a smaller one in the Williams block were broken by the wind.

The Victorian took five hours to come from Port Townsend this morning, the Kingston taking the same amount of time going over.

PERSONAL.

Movements of Well Known People in Various Directions.

Rev. Roberts, of Kuper Island, is in town.

J. A. Laidlaw, of Westminster, is in the city.

Alex. Shaw and bride, nee Baker, of Nanaimo, are in the city.

D. R. Ker returned this morning from a trip across the Sound.

Thos. E. Ladner and E. A. Wadhams, of Ladner's Landing, are at the Driard.

Capt. James Christiansen, jr., who has been ill for some days, is now back again in command of the Lorne.

Richard Angus, of the C.P.R. offices, Vancouver, is down to meet the incoming steamer Empress of India from the Orient.

John Moore, freight clerk on the steamer Islander, is ill. Wm. Dalby, jr., is filling Mr. Moore's place during his absence.

J. C. Myles and wife, of Kamloops, are in town. Mrs. Myles will spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Finley, of Rock Bay.

Mr. Edward Merewether Bovill, for several years private secretary to Sir Joseph Trutch, was admitted a member of the Canada Club, London, at its meeting this month.

Christmas Presents.

J. Hoffman, 111 Government street, is making a specialty of Christmas and New Year's presents, and, as he is a most successful dealer in bankrupt stocks, he is offering choice goods at figures not to be touched elsewhere. He is showing jewelry, watches and diamonds, at about half the original cost, and every burchaser of $1 worth of goods has a chance of winning a lady's gold watch, the contest for which closes on Dec. 30th. The variety of Christmas presents shown is as great as the low figures are surprising. Give him a call. de22

Sentimentality and Substantiality.

All this sentiment about a happy Christmas is very fine, but unless it is backed up by other and more substantial good things, it falls very flat. Now in order to fully realize the spirit of the season's wishes you should go to Henry Saunders for all your Christmas supplies. He will furnish the substantiality and even the sentimentality, for a happy Christmas. Call and see his superb stock at 39 and 41 Johnson street.

Santa Claus-Kerr & Begg.

We just long for the meeting, to smile you our greeting—
We're across from the Bank of B.C.
Take warning we're cheapest, and its where the rich heap is
Of presents to hang on the tree.

Cook & Irving

Have purchased the Bee Hive saloon at the corner of Fort and Broad streets.

Yarmouth bloaters at 33 Fort street

MUNICIPAL.

All accounts against the Corporation of the City of Victoria must be sent in to the undersigned before 4 o'clock on

Wednesday, 30th December

so that they may be read at the Council meeting the same evening and passed for payment.

CHAS. KENT,
Treasurer.

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A spacious hotel has been built for the accommodation of travelers. Stores and other buildings have also been erected. The townsite is being cleared and streets graded so as to forward the large amount of building that will be in progress as soon as material is secured for construction. A trail has been built to the mines, which will be replaced by a wagon road as soon as the work can be prosecuted. The grade to the mines is an easy one. An application for a charter to build a railway line into the mines from Kaslo will be made at the coming session of the Legislature. Everything is being done that circumstances will permit to give easy access to the mines and furnish supplies for the miners. KASLO CITY will have a large population this summer. It will become the supply depot for the richest mining section yet discovered in British Columbia. Unlike many mountain towns, it is most favorably situated on a gentle slope from the waters of a sheltered bay on Kootenay Lake, and is supplied for domestic and manufacturing purposes, by a large stream of pure cold water.

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NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Fifth Annual Meeting of British Columbia Fire Insurance Company will be held at the company's office, 64 Yates street, on Thursday evening, January 21st, 1892, at 4 p.m., when the annual report of the company will be presented. Members of the company are requested to attend.

WM. DALBY,
Manager.

Dec. 21, 1891.

DRAWING.

The 54th drawing for an Appropriation in the Vancouver Island Building Society will be held in Sir William Wallace Society's Hall, Broad street, at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, 29th December, 1891.

See that your shares are in good standing.

B. WILLIAMS,
Secretary.

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VICTORIA BUILDING SOCIETY.

THE 22ND DRAWING for an Appropriation in connection with the above society will be held at Sir William Wallace Society Rooms, Broad street, opposite View, on Wednesday evening, the 30th December, 1891, at 8 p.m.

See that your shares are in good standing.

By order. A. ST. G. FLINT,
Secretary.

N.B.—A few shares on hand which can be taken up on application to the Secretary at his office, [illegible] Fort St., corner Broad. [illegible]

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FAST TRAINS.

Difficulties in the Way of an Increased Rate of Speed.

A Plan on Foot in This Country to Build a Train Calculated to Run Two Miles in One Minute.

Some interesting details (if accurate) are given by the American Engineer of the results of the attempt to run a train which, according to the projectors of the "Electric express," was to run at the moderate speed of six miles a minute, says the London (England) Invention. An experimental line was built at Baltimore, and engineers of some experience were sanguine that even if the tremendous speed spoken of were not accomplished, the trains run would put in the shade everything hitherto accomplished. One hundred and twenty miles an hour, or two miles a minute was spoken of as mechanically possible But the constructors, alas! reckoned without their host. It was found that the inexorable laws of friction would cause bearings, wheels, etc., to simply melt from the intense heat evolved. In round numbers a four-foot wheel would have to revolve over eleven thousand times per minute—a practicable speed with a small spindle, but quite impossible with the ordinary axle. About a mile and half per minute is now said to be a that is within practical accomplishment on the existing type of railway, if friction only be considered. As regard safety, even this speed is deemed impossible by qualified engineers, unless great modifications are made in the existing form and size of flanges rails, etc. Such a speed has, it is alleged, been once or twice accomplished but the highest of which an authentic record exists is within a fraction of eighty miles per hour, or one and one third miles per minute. We do not, of course, undertake to say that a higher rate of motion could not be reached but all engineers are agreed that it is not possible with present rails and rolling stock.

As matters now stand it would seem that it is easier to construct motive power which will propel, or rather drag vehicles at a startling pace, than to design vehicles which will keep on the track or be uninjured by the heat so generated. It is nowadays unsafe to ridicule any project which does not propose to violate some natural law, and it is quite possible that some form of rail and wheel may yet be designed which will permit of a much higher rate of speed than has yet been achieved. But it is certain that these have still to be devised, and that people of inventive minds have here a yet unattacked field. After all the rate of eighty miles per hour, which has actually been accomplished, would have seemed a greater miracle to our great-grandfathers than the talked-of one hundred and twenty does to us. Whether the solution will lie in the adoption of the sliding railway type, or in an immense increase in wheel diameter, depth of flange, or other device, is yet uncertain, but the problem will without doubt be solved at no very distant date.

Our friends are endeavoring to grapple with the difficulty, and the main outlines of a proposal to run a high-speed train have been published. The track is to be built much heavier than the roads now in use. In exposed places it would be laid in a trough-like guard to keep the wheels on the track. The engine and cars are gigantic, the former having twelve driving wheels, not incased (all wheels are now incased), and the axles are to be so constructed as to give a low center of gravity by having the car bottom near the rails. The great weight, width of rails and shape of cars would, it is claimed, give stability. All the wheels under the train would be eight feet in diameter, this large size saving friction of machine; and should the wheels revolve no faster than the present style it would allow of the speed intended being attained. As large wheels on the present tracks would not be stable, nor would there be car room, the rails would have to be laid ten feet apart. The car is designed as seventeen feet wide, twelve feet high and one hundred feet long, being capable of holding four hundred persons with their baggage. The cars are to join as smoothly as a pipe, the forward part of the engine being rounded off and the car exterior made smooth, having side doors, windows and skylights, and like a semi-elliptical cylinder placed on its face in shape, this smoothness and shape being to save friction of air, for a train in such rapid motion would create a greater wind than a violent hurricane.

We cannot, of course, prophesy what may yet be accomplished. In view, however, of the fact that Jules Verne's romance-invented torpedo boat has actually become the sober fact of a few years later we should not like to say the above project is impossible, many as are the practical difficulties in its way.

A LINGUISTIC PARROT

He Can Speak in Five Languages—A Bird Who Laughs at Singers.

The parrot, according to the best authorities on ornithology, belongs to the family of scansorial birds, remarkable for their beautiful colors, powerful bill, fleshy tongue and their power of imitating the human voice. According to others, who do not view them from a scientific standpoint, they are nothing more than a nuisance. But there are parrots and parrots, and, in whatever category one is disposed to place them, there is no gainsaying the fact that the attainments of some of them are noteworthy, if not always praiseworthy.

Up in the French quarter just north of Washington square, says the New York Mail and Express, lives an old Frenchman, an exile of course, called M. Felix. He is a gentleman of the old school, and is supposed to have seen better, if not happier, days. For many years he has instructed his fellow countrymen and country women, too, for that matter, through the medium of a little circulating library over which he presides with great dignity. He speaks seven or eight languages. In time not otherwise engaged he has instructed a parrot of which he is the possessor in the rudiments of some of these languages, and with an uncommon degree of success.

The other evening a call was made at the little circulating library. Felix's welcome was cordial and he seemed gratified to know that the fame of his parrot was extending.

"Ah, yes, Pierre, 'es a wonderful bird. I not take dree, two, fi' tousan' dollaires for him. Is it not so?"

"Oui! Oui!" shrieked the parrot. Then he shut up like a steel trap and refused to be friendly for some little time. Felix took advantage of his silence to extol his merits, saying he knew words in English, French, German, Italian and Spanish.

"Of course, not vaire mooch, vous comprenez. Mais! 'e 'es not vaire well just now."

As Felix said this he winked slyly at his visitors. The parrot ruffled up his feathers at this and was extremely voluble for the space of a minute or so, in which he remarked that his "sante" was "tres bien." As if to prove it he hummed a few words of a song of the boulevards and wound up with a couple of bars of "The Marseillaise."

"How is that for high?" he interrogated, as he swung gayly to and fro on his perch.

The antithesis to Felix's parrot is to be found in the possession of a theatrical manager up town. He is the owner of a parrot, a truly beautiful bird, by the way, who, while he has never been known to utter a word in any language familiar to man, yet seems to possess a keen sense of humor. This parrot is frequently present at operatic rehearsals, but it is when a new aspirant for fame behind the footlights is demonstrating his or her ability as a singer that this parrot comes out strongly. When the singer is in the most touching part of the music the parrot will break into a paroxysm of laughter, with a great "Ho! Ho! Ho!" The sound is lifelike in the extreme, and the effect on the bewildered singer is more easily imagined than described.

Keeps Tab on the Waiters.

In a big Fulton street restaurant there is a man with a peculiar specialty. It must have taken years of practice to perfect himself in it, and as far as is known he has his unique field all to himself. He stands at a desk directly opposite the stairs which lead to the kitchen, and the waiters in going and returning therefrom have to pass before him. On the desk, says the New York Commercial Advertiser, is a great card with a list of every solid and liquid that the restaurant sells running down the side of it. As the waiters pass from the kitchen they swing their trays toward him, and at a glance he makes a mental list of everything upon them and writes their prices down upon the card with electric rapidity. During the busy hours his pen is kept going incessantly; but he never makes a mistake, and when the day closes the proprietors have the record of its sale before them to the final and exact penny. He is a variety of automatic cash register that ought never to fail to find a market.

Gov. Hogg's Big Catch.

Gov. Hogg, of Texas, was recently down on the gulf fishing. He relates an incident to a Fort Worth Gazette correspondent thus: "I was sitting in the boat one day," he said, "just inside the entrance to the pass, when I felt a nibble. I jerked the line gently, when I knew I had him. I began to haul in, and felt the line grow heavier. Then began a succession of savage rushes, and all grew still as the breast when the spirit hath flown. When the end of the line came to the surface I found a tangle of fish. I had first hooked a snapper; the snapper had been seized by a terrapin, which was unable to free itself. The terrapin had been run through by a swordfish, which was fastened by his long blade, and a stingaree had wrapped himself around the swordfish and stung him to death. I suppose there must have been three hundred pounds of meat on the hook." Asked if there was anyone else in the boat, the governor replied that he was

The Largest Locomotive.

The Baldwin locomotive works of Philadelphia has just completed for the freight service of the Erie railway the largest compound locomotive in the world. The weight of the engine is 135,000 pounds, exclusive of the tender. It has three pairs of driving-wheels sixty-two inches in diameter. The weight on these wheels, which is the measure of the power of the locomotive, is 107,000 pounds. Its length is 56 feet, and height 16 feet. It is expected that this engine can be run at a saving of from 30 to 40 per cent. over the same size single expansion engine. But, after all, the Erie's new locomotive will not appear so big when the Baldwin company has constructed for the same company five new ones which are to weigh 177,000 pounds each.

The best medical authorities say the proper way to treat catarrh is to take a constitutional remedy, like Hood's Sarsaparilla.

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SAMUEL M. ROBINS,
Superintendent
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NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

W. H. BAINBRIDGE, Secretary of the B.C. Pottery and Terra Cotta Works, the B.C. Agricultural Association, and the Victoria Jockey Club, has removed his offices to the JEWELL BLOCK, DOUGLAS STREET. oc19-1

FRENCH LAUNDRY
23 VIEW STREET.

M. P. CASTERAN begs to inform the public that he has opened a Laundry at the above address for the cleaning of all kinds of wearing apparel. He undertakes to give entire satisfaction. A trial solicited. de21-1m

Business Property For Sale.

The Corner Lot at intersection of Crescent and Cavan Street, Nanaimo, is offered for sale. On a portion of this lot is the two-story frame building now occupied by the undersigned as a General Store. This is one of the best, if not the best, business location in Nanaimo. No coal has been mined underneath, so the foundation is solid.

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LEGAL NOTICES.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the business heretofore carried on by Robert Ward under the firm name of Robert Ward & Co., Merchants, Shippers and Insurance Agents, at 76 Wharf street, Victoria, B.C., has been acquired, and will in future be carried on as from 1st January, 1892, by Robert Ward & Company, Limited Liability, incorporated under the "Companies' Act, 1890."

Victoria, B.C., December 22, 1891. d26-2w

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to incorporate a Company to construct, equip, maintain, and operate a line of railway from the townsite of Kaslo, on Kootenay Lake, westerly along the Kaslo river to the junction of the North and South Forks of said river; thence along the North Fork of Kaslo river to some convenient and accessible point near the headwaters of said North Fork in the vicinity of the mines lately discovered near Slocan Lake; with power to build, maintain and operate branch lines from any point or points on the main line or branch line to any mine or mines which may now or hereafter be located or operated in the section of country adjacent to the Kaslo river, and adjacent to and lying between the North and South Forks of said river.

Dated October 22nd, A. D. 1891.
BELYEA & GREGORY,
dec26 Solicitors for the Applicants.

PRIVATE BILL.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application will be made to the Legislature of the Province of British Columbia at its next Session for an Act to incorporate Mary Ellen McTucker (known in religion as Sister Mary Providence) and other persons now members or hereafter to become members of the Roman Catholic congregation of the Sisters of Saint Ann with power to receive, take, and hold by gift, leave, purchase, devise or otherwise real and personal estate of every description and with full power and authority to grant, sell and dispose of the same by sale, mortgage or otherwise.

Dated this 19th day of December, 1891.
S. PERRY MILLS,
46 Langley street, Victoria, Solicitor for the applicants. dec13-2m

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for the purchase of the following described land, situated on Barclay Sound. Commencing at the southwest corner of Indian Reserve, Uchucklesit Harbor; following the shore line 20 chains southwesterly more or less; thence 15 chains west to shore line of Rainy Bay; thence 80 chains northwesterly along shore; thence 40 chains east to northeast corner of Indian Reserve; thence south 70 chains following Indian Reserve line to point of commencement. Containing about 400 acres, more or less.

GEO. A. COOPER.
Victoria, B.C., Nov. 5, 1891. no5

NOTICE.

FROM AND AFTER THIS DATE I SHALL not be responsible for any debts contracted without my written authority.

W. F. TOLMIE.
Victoria Sept. 2, 1891. se2-tf

NOTICE.

I WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY debts contracted by my wife or any other person on her behalf.

JOHN J. RUSSELL,
Strawberry Vale Farm
Victoria Dec. 11, 1891. de12-tf

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I intend making application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a timber-cutting license over the following described tract of land situate at the head of Evans Bay, Reid Island, Sayward District:

Commencing at the southwest corner of Lot 20, Sayward District; thence west 60 chains; thence north 100 chains; thence east 80 chains; south to the northern boundary line of said Lot 20; thence west and south along the boundary line of said Lot 20 to point of commencement; said to contain 1000 acres, more or less.

M. KING.
Dec. 8, 1891 de-9-1m

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NOTICE, IN POUND: One bay horse with white face and three white feet, will be sole at auction December 30th, Wednesday at 12 o'clock noon if not redeemed and pound charges paid on or before that date, by order of Mayor and Aldermen.

ANDREW SHAW,
dec16-td Poundkeeper.

NO. 113.

A BY-LAW

Appointing three Commissioners of Sewers.

BE IT ENACTED by the Mayor and Aldermen of the Corporation of the City of Victoria as follows:

1. That Thomas Earle, M.P., J. H. Turner, M.P.P., and John Teague, Esq., Senior, are hereby appointed Commissioners to manage and superintend, as hereinafter prescribed, the construction of sewerage and drainage works for the benefit of the Corporation of the City of Victoria.

2. The duties of the said Commissioners shall be to examine all accounts and claims in respect of the sewers of the said City and to certify same; to sign all cheques drawn in respect of said accounts and claims, said cheques to be countersigned by the Mayor for the time being of the City, and to see that all moneys voted for sewerage purposes be not expended otherwise than for sewerage purposes; to settle all disputes which may from time to time arise between the engineer in charge inspector, or inspectors, or either of them, and any contractor or contractors for any work in connection with said sewers, and report the same through the City Clerk to the Municipal Council of said Corporation, and the decision of said Commissioners shall be final.

3. The said Commissioners shall have power to reject any or all work or material, performed or used, and materials proposed to be used in any such work, that is not in their opinion in accordance with the plans and specifications, or either of them.

4. If the said Commissioners shall be of opinion that any assistant engineer or inspector of works is not acting for the best interests of the said City, they shall call thereto the attention of the engineer in charge of said works, and through him order the discharge of said assistant engineer or inspector of works.

5. The said Commissioners shall meet at least once in each month, and at any other time at the call of the Secretary upon reasonable notice.

6. The City Clerk shall act as Secretary at all meetings of said Commissioners.

7. The Secretary shall call a meeting of the Commissioners whenever requested so to do by the Commissioners or the engineer in charge of the works.

8. The said Commissioners shall be appointed by the Council of the said Corporation, and shall hold office for the period prescribed and limited in and otherwise under and subject to the provisions of sub-section 27 of Section 96 of the "Municipal Act, 1891."

The remuneration of the said Commissioners shall be $10 each for each and every meeting of the said Commissioners duly convened.

This By-Law may be cited as the "Commissioners of Sewers Appointment By-Law, 1891."

Passed the Municipal Council the 18th day of November, A.D. 1891.

Re-considered and finally passed the Council this 25th day of November, A.D., 1891.

[L.S.] JOHN GRANT,
Mayor.
WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
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THE MOCK PARLIAMENT.

The Debate on the Amendment to the Address in Reply Still Under Discussion.

The debate on the amendment to the address in reply to the speech from the throne was continued last evening by Mr. E. Lewis in a capital speech. He spoke in support of the policy of the Opposition, who had a definite policy; one which had received the support of the people at the last four elections, and which had built up and conserved the interests of the country as no other policy had done. He tried to defend the late census in an effort to show that the population had not decreased. The C.P.R., Intercolonial and the canals were cited as great assets. He asserted that the Lake Superior section was paying as well as the British Columbia section of the C. P. R. He also twitted the Liberal party for Mr. Laurier having gone to Boston to air his views, and passed on to the consideration of unrestricted reciprocity, which he condemned very strongly.

The member for Brandon answered the previous speaker, praising him for the comprehensiveness of his speech.

Mr. McAndrews also spoke, as well as Mr. Berridge, the Minister of Lands and Works, but the speech of Mr. Falconer, the Finance Minister, was the oratorical gem of the evening. His was a thoroughly practical defence of the policy of the Liberal party.

STANDARD THEATRE LICENSE.

An Adjournment Taken to Enable the Defence to Procure Witnesses.

When the Licensing Court resumed business at 3:15 p.m., Mr. Mills recalled Officer James Hunter, of the Provincial police, and asked him if on any of the occasions he visited the theatre he had been drunk.

The witness denied this and stated he had never been drunk.

Mr. Mills asked the witness if he would not be surprised if witnesses were called to swear that he, Hunter, had been seen drunk at the Standard theatre.

The witness said such an accusation would be false.

Mr. Mills—All right. I shall take your answer.

George Cook deposed that he occupied premises next to the theatre, and had been disturbed by the noise and dancing; bad language had often been used; had known of young fellows visiting the theatre; they generally came in by the back way; the language used as a rule was vulgar; the noise at the theatre disturbed him a great deal; believed that police interference was called for; lately had no complaint to make, except during the holidays, when a good deal of noise was kicked up.

Nothing to break down this evidence was brought out during the cross-examination.

Witness stated to the court that he had sold out his business in May last, but had later returned to the same stand.

This closed the case for the prosecution, and Mr. Mills asked for an adjournment, stating that he proposed to call witnesses, and respectable men, too, to disprove the charges made; his client was not, nor could be, held responsible for the language used by frequenters of the place; such places existed in every large city; the society of the women who went to the theatre was objected to, but these members of the demi-monde in many instances behave better than some others who were hypocrites. This could be noticed in the Victoria theatre, and if the unfortunate sisterhood were scorned and trodden on, it was the result of the action of men who ought to be ashamed to throw the first stone. Those who brought this case into court were striving to blacken the fair fame of Victoria, and time should be allowed the accused to bring evidence to rebut the charges. He would accordingly ask for an adjournment until early in January.

Mr. Hall objected to the adjournment, and pressed for an immediate decision.

The Mayor thought as such specific charges as had been made, the defence should be allowed to combat them. The question of an adjournment was concurred in by the rest of the board.

Mr. Mills asked if the court had power to issue subpoenas to witnesses.

The court replied in the negative.

Mr. Mills then asked that the case be adjourned until Monday next.

Mr. Hall objected, and said this was only a pretext to further aid the theatre and allow of it being kept open during the holidays.

The adjournment was made until Monday at 2 p.m. as asked for, and the court rose.

IN A WHALE'S MOUTH.

A Sailor's Thrilling Adventure with a Leviathan.

A whale story, with more of the spice of danger, is told of an American sailor named Leonard, who was one of the crew of the ship Mystery, a whaler in the north Pacific. One day, says the New York Ledger, he was stationed in the bow of a whaleboat, a long distance from the ship, in hunt of a large whale. Our hero was the harpooner, and when within proper distance he threw his harpoon, striking the fish hard and deep. The line began to run out, when suddenly it caught the body of one of the men in such a way as to haul him overboard. As the man sank, the harpooner transferred his line to a boatmate and sprang into the ocean in aid of the drowning sailor, and just at that moment the whale, maddened by the wound, made a rush for the boat. Remarkable to relate, Leonard's friend happened to regain the boat in safety, but Leonard himself was caught by the whale between its jaws, his position being inside the monster's mouth, with nothing protruding but one of his arms. If it had been a shark, Leonard would have instantly been swallowed alive, but a whale has a very small gullet, and could not swallow a baby. Still the harpooner's situation was none the less precarious, as he might easily be crushed to death. The whale instantly plunged down into the deep, but the imprisoned man had not lost his presence of mind. He mustered his entire bodily strength, and he was a very powerful man, actually bracing himself in such a position as to compel the fish to spread its jaws, and with his sheath-knife cut right and left. No sooner was there a sufficient opening than he forced his way outside and rose to the surface. Strange to say he was within a ship's length of the boat when he came up, and he was soon hauled aboard, considerably shaken up but otherwise sound and whole. After this adventure Leonard was known as "the second Jonah," and no wonder.

CANINE STREET CLEANERS.

Scavengers Not Needed in the Cities of the Orient.

Next to St. Sophia, we had heard most about the dogs of Constantinople. When we counted two hundred and eighty dogs in an hour's drive in Damascus we thought we could see nothing that would surprise us in canine numerals. But Damascus did not begin with this city, especially in the old part, as in Stamboul. At times, says a writer in the Philadelphia Ledger, they lined the street, making it yellow and furry for two or three rods. Again, dogs lay stretched, singly, in the middle of the street, asleep, and carriages and other travelers went out of their way to pass them for hours, rather than trouble to move them. Puppies ran about ad libitum, and dear little things they were, too. These dogs are not a fine breed. Their hair is coarse and rough, and their bodies thick and heavy. But they have good, mild faces, gentle eyes, and, as for attacking anyone, it seems never to enter their minds. Cats, too, are plenty; and often is seen a happy family of dogs, cats and chickens sharing the street with perfect good nature. The dogs are the street cleaners. At night when refuse is thrown from the houses, they have high feasting, and by morning nothing but what can be easily carried away in baskets or on donkey back is left. They belong to nobody, and would live a happy and care-free life did they not somehow get many injuries. The howl of a dog sounds every few minutes even in Pera, and it is not rare to see torn ears, bleeding eyes and scratched, hairless skin.

SHE FOLLOWED SUIT.

The Mayoress of Derby Registers with Royalty.

During my last visit to England, says a writer in the Illustrated American, the queen visited Derby to open a charitable institution, and to show her appreciation of courtesies knighted the mayor, a very worthy man, who was married to a very worthy woman. The royal party, in the course of events, registered in the visitors' book at the town hall, a clean page being headed:

"Victoria."

Beneath this the wife of Henry, of Battenberg, who was in the party, signed herself:

"Beatrice."

The mayoress, whose turn it was to sign next, caused a gasp of astonishment from the royal party. She nervously nibbled her pen for a moment, deeply lost in thought, and then wrote:

"Jane."

She evidently thought that a mayor's wife, and especially one whose husband had just been hit a clip on the shoulder with a sword, was entitled to due deference, and perhaps not so far removed from the privileges of the great ones who had signed before her.

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WHARF AND WAVE.

Jottings of Interest to Marine Men Concisely Compiled.

Steamer Islander left Vancouver at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

One of the highest tides known for years, rose in Victoria harbor to-day.

Steamer Batavia, of the Upton line, is due the 5th of January from Japan via Honolulu.

The steamer Thistle is loading water pipes at R. P. Rithet & Co.'s wharf for Vancouver.

Upton line steamer Zambesi is expected to sail for the Orient to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

Steamer Belle arrived from the Mainland yesterday with 1000 bales of hay for Brackman & Ker.

Steamer Danube, now in drydock having repairs effected to her hull, will probably be out by the end of the week.

Steamer Islander has been laid off for a few days to have repairs made to her propellers. Steamer Yosemite takes her place.

The tug Lorne is tied up at Spratt's wharf awaiting orders. She lies much more snug there than she would off stormy Flattery.

Steamer Maude did not leave for the West Coast last evening on account of the rough weather. If there is a change she will get away to-night.

Captain Quinn, of the schooner Teaser, says that in his eleven years' experience he never saw such weather as prevailed off Cape Flattery in the last two months.

The Vancouver schooner Beatrice will soon leave that port on a sealing cruise. She will not go to Behring Sea as reported, but will sail south and seal off the California coast.

Steamer Zambesi, of the Upton line, arrived from Nanaimo to-day and anchored in Esquimalt. She has yet to load a lot of flour at the outer dock before sailing for the Orient.

Schooner E. B. Marvin, Capt. Clarence Cox, will not leave for her sealing cruise this season until toward the end of January. The C. H. Tupper will also remain in harbor for a few weeks yet.

C.P.N. Co.'s steamer Princess Louise, which has been laid up for some time, has gone into commission again, and takes the Westminster trips in place of the Yosemite which is to run for the Islander.

The crack Sound steamer Flyer has been laid up to have changes made in her boilers so that fuel can be saved. So far her fuel bills have taken nearly all the earnings. The problem of big speed on little fuel for steamboats is not solved yet.

Paul Smith and Henry Pearson, of Seattle, arrived at Stanwood last Tuesday in a little row boat called the Dandy. It is 13 feet long and 4½ feet wide. They had a remarkable trip, full of adventure and spiced with danger. The boys feel proud of the little boat and their trip.

The Union Pacific Co.'s steamer Olympian is soon to make a trip to Portland to have new boilers put in. Already many applications for a berth in her for the run have been received from seamen, although the trip is a hazardous one for a boat of her class. It will be remembered her sister, the Alaskan, was lost on a similar trip.

BRIEF LOCALS.

One Day's Doings in City and Province Briefly Related.

Finnan haddies at 33 Fort street.

There will be a drawing in the V.I.B. S. to-night for an appropriation.

When suffering from toothache try Gibbons' Toothache gum. Sold by all druggists.

Geo. Edward Hawes, grocer, doing business at the corner of Fort and Blanchard streets, has made an assignment to W. J. Pendray and Simon Leiser. The liabilities are reported to be in the neighborhood of $7000.

A social will be given this evening by the Daughters of Rebekah in I.O.O.F. Hall.

Cambridge sausages, beef sausages, pork pies, boiled corn beef and ham, at Whitelaw & Co.'s, 125 Fort street.

The Germania Club held a very enjoyable dance in Oliver's Hall last evening.

Two or three fine parlor suites and two oak sideboards for less than cost at our undertaking rooms, 36 Broad St. Lockhart & Co.

The children of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church will have a treat this evening.

The funeral of the late F. Atwood took place this afternoon, the Forresters attending in body.

Macaulay & Higginbottom, Lion Clothing House, commence their annual Xmas sale to-day, Saturday, December 19th.

A farmer named Bruneau, of Stave Lake, has been badly gored by a bull at Westminster.

The American hunter has made such havoc on the reindeer that old Santa Claus is forced to use a bicycle. See him at Dixi H. Ross & Co.

Nearly 150 new members have lately been added to the Pandora street Methodist Church.

Stocton flour at 33 Fort street.

Night before last the Seattle police arrested eight vags, and only 75 cents in cash was found in the crowd.

New styles in ladies rubbers at Erskine's boot and shoe emporium, 132 Government street, cor. Johnson street.

The children of St. Saviour's Church Sunday school will hold their annual Christmas tree entertainment to-morrow evening.

Easy chairs, piano stools, easels, reed and rattan chairs and rockers at Weiler Bros.

The wind played havoc with the fence round the Canada Western excavations last night, as well as portions of James Bay bridge.

For your Christmas purchases the Lion Clothing Store, 74 Yates street. Prices to suit all.

A smoking concert was given by Milton Lodge, Sons of St. George, last evening, and a very pleasant time was had by those who attended.

A carload of handsome ladies' desks, cabinets, center tables, etc., just in, at Weiler Bros.

Invitations have been issued for an "At Home" to be given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Fawcett this evening.

Reports from the upper country say that snow has fallen heavily everywhere. The snow ploughs are at work up the line getting the track cleared.

Curling tongs and heaters at Fox's.

Boots and shoes at greatly reduced prices at Cavin Bros., Douglas St. tf

A party of four hunters, of Westminster, who have been in the north on a trip, are two weeks overdue, and fears for their safety are entertained.

Shaving sets at Fox's.

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Contractor Nathan had a difficulty with a balky horse on Store street this morning, and was put to a deal of trouble before the refractory animal acted properly.

Artistic linen and silk lamp shades at Weiler Bros., to 35 Fort street.

There is prospect of a highbinder riot at Vancouver over some recent Chinese gambling cases. Boys from the Mission who gave evidence against the gamblers have been threatened by the latter with death.

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NANAIMO NEWS.

A Broken Roadway—Accident to a Miner—Municipal Matters.

NANAIMO, Dec. 28.—The roadway in front of the new building recently erected by the Co-Operative Society caved badly on Christmas day, and although teams were engaged in filling up the space on Saturday, the hole appears to-day to have increased in size. It is feared that eventually this cave will effect the large brick building in juxtaposition to it, but it is to be hoped this will be averted.

CRUSHED IN THE MINES.

A miner named James McAloney met with an accident at the Southfield mine on Saturday last, whereby he was badly crushed by a lot of falling rock. Although the man was badly hurt, he is expected to recover from the effects in the course of a few weeks.

MATTERS MUNICIPAL.

There promises to me more interest in the coming municipal election than has hitherto been taken by the ratepayers of Nanaimo, and should the large number who have intimated their intention of running for aldermen stand for election, the contest is likely to be a lively one. Mayor Hilbert feels confident he will be re-elected by a large majority; on the other hand Mr. Haslam is perfectly indifferent as to the result, and has only consented to run in order to please his numerous friends.

NANAIMO SHIPPING.

The shipping in Nanaimo harbor has no appearance of diminishing, and as fast as one vessel puts to sea with a cargo of coal another arrives to take its place. March is looked forward to with bright hopes, and it is felt here that the shipping will be so plentiful as to justify the company in largely increasing the output, for which they are busy making every preparation.

Nearly All Sold.

Those wanting a barrel of choice eastern apples should call early as their are only a few left. B. Gordon.

Broke Up the Party.

Some of the friends of a Portland young man called on him the other evening, says the Lewiston Journal, and had a pleasant time, but long after midnight he commenced to wonder why they did not thank him for his hospitality and leave for home. As dawn approached he abruptly left the room. After a few minutes had passed, as the young man did not return, the party went to search for him. They found him on the front steps looking anxiously about. He was peering over the fence and poking about in corners. "What are you looking for?" said one of the party. "Oh! I was just looking for the morning paper," replied the host. It worked.

Breathing Fishes.

It is well known that the gar-pike often rises to the surface and breathes the air direct, as it has a pneumatic duct connecting the throat with the air bladder. Few, if any, of the modern lung fishes inhale the air direct. It is probable that the pirarucu of the Amazons, which has a large, lung-like swimming bladder, breathes air in this way; while in southern Florida we were told that the Jew fish or tarpum rises to the surface every few minutes to breathe, and that it has an air bladder eighteen inches long.

A special general meeting of the members of the Victoria Club is to be held this evening at 8:30. The business to come before the meeting is the revising and amending of the by-laws and constitution.

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